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108TH CONGRESS 2D SESSION H. R. \_\_\_\_

## IN THE HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVES

| Mr. | (for      | himself, | Linsert | cospon | sors from | attach | ned list. | ]) introduced | the |
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|     | following | bill;    | which   | was    | referred  | to     | the       | Committee     | on  |
|     |           |          |         |        |           |        |           |               |     |

## A BILL

To require the repayment of appropriated funds that are illegally disbursed for political purposes by the Centers for Medicare & Medicaid Services.

- 1 Be it enacted by the Senate and House of Representa-
- 2 tives of the United States of America in Congress assembled,
- 3 SECTION 1. SHORT TITLE.
- 4 This Act may be cited as the "Medicare Trust Fund
- 5 Reimbursement Act of 2004".



| 1  | SEC. 2. REPAYMENT TO THE MEDICARE TRUST FUNDS OF            |  |  |  |  |  |
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| 2  | AMOUNTS ILLEGALLY DISBURSED FOR PO-                         |  |  |  |  |  |
| 3  | LITICAL PURPOSES.   |  |  |  |  |  |
| 4  | (a) In General.—Notwithstanding any other provi-            |  |  |  |  |  |
| 5  | sion of law, if the Comptroller General of the United       |  |  |  |  |  |
| 6  | States determines that the Centers for Medicare & Med-      |  |  |  |  |  |
| 7  | icaid Services has violated the restriction on using appro- |  |  |  |  |  |
| 8  | priated funds for publicity or propaganda purposes con-     |  |  |  |  |  |
| 9  | tained in section 626 of division J of the Consolidated Ap- |  |  |  |  |  |
| 10 | propriations Resolution, 2003 (Public Law 108–7; 117        |  |  |  |  |  |
| 11 | Stat. 470) or any other provision of law, the principal     |  |  |  |  |  |
| 12 | campaign committee (as defined in section 301(5) of the     |  |  |  |  |  |
| 13 | Federal Election Campaign Act of 1971 (2 U.S.C.             |  |  |  |  |  |
| 14 | 431(5))) of the President of the United States shall reim-  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 15 | burse the Federal Government for the amount used in         |  |  |  |  |  |
| 16 | committing such violation.                                  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 17 | (b) Reimbursement of Medicare Trust                         |  |  |  |  |  |
| 18 | FUNDS.—To the extent that the amount described in sub-      |  |  |  |  |  |
| 19 | section (a) was initially appropriated to the Federal Hos-  |  |  |  |  |  |
| 20 | pital Insurance Trust Fund under section 1817 of the So-    |  |  |  |  |  |
| 21 | cial Security Act or the Federal Supplementary Medical      |  |  |  |  |  |
| 22 | Insurance Trust Fund under section 1841 of such Act,        |  |  |  |  |  |
| 23 | the amount reimbursed under such subsection shall be        |  |  |  |  |  |
| 24 | credited to the Trust Fund to which the amount was ini-     |  |  |  |  |  |



25 tially appropriated.